

## GERMANS BUSY FIGHTING SPIRIT TAKING RUSS FOOD OF THE BELGIANS

Detachments Rapidly Collecting and Exporting Breadstuffs From Pskov District.

### PEASANTS ENRAGED

Bridges Destroyed and Some Huns Killed as They Cart Away Their Bread.

MOSCOW, Monday, March 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—Prince Henry of Prussia, brother of the German emperor, and one of his sons, have arrived at Riga, Estonia. They were greeted heartily by the German population but the Estonians refused to participate in the reception. The visit is attributed to a desire to create pro-German feeling in the Baltic provinces. The Germans are busy collecting and exporting breadstuffs from the Pskov district, northeast of Dvinsk. At Perekhorovka, near Pskov, forty members of German detachments requisitioning bread were killed by the peasants. Bridges were destroyed by the peasants, who also harassed the Germans by carrying away the bread and destroying carts and wagons. The Germans tried many of the peasants into Pskov by announcing they had an abundance of bread and sugar which would be sold cheaply. The Germans seized the carts and horses of the peasants but sold no food.

Supreme War Council. A Bolshevik supreme war council has been formed to take charge of army organization. Leon Trotsky has been appointed chairman of the council.

Agents are being sent from Moscow into all the provinces to organize the peasants to supplement the efforts of the city workmen in opposing the Germans. Volunteers will be called for, after which local committees will prepare lists of men refusing to volunteer and will post them publicly. To all shirkers will be denied the right to participate in public affairs.

## U. S. TROOPS IN COUNTER ATTACKS

Vorwaerts Admits Allied Pressure Along the Whole Front Grows Stronger.

AMSTERDAM, March 26.—American troops have taken part in counter-attacks against the German front near La Fere, writes the military correspondent of Vorwaerts, who says the attacks were repulsed. The correspondent writes:

"After the first surprise, the enemy pressure along the whole front is naturally growing stronger. Threatening catastrophe compels the enemy to reckless action. South of the 'break through' front there is collecting strong reserves intended for a flank assault on our attacking army."

"Attacks of combined allied forces yesterday against the pivot of the German attacking front near La Fere were particularly heavy. These counter-attacks did not find us unprepared. It testifies to the superior foresight of the German command that these attacks, in which American troops certainly participated only symbolically, were not only beaten off but were thrown back on the Oise canal by an energetic blow."

A WORK OF SUPEREROGATION. "Why do you suppose that they passed the bill against female spies?" "Why not?" "It wasn't necessary. A woman couldn't keep a secret long enough to be dangerous."

## "Kultur" In A German Prison Camp



The photograph above was taken by a French prisoner in a German prison camp at Sennalager bei Paderborn, in November, 1914. W. J. Prendergast brought the picture out, sewed in the lining of his coat. He is a Chicagoan, a private in the Dublin Fusiliers, he has been honorably discharged and has returned to this country. "The two men tied to the post are British prisoners of war," said Prendergast. "They committed no offense whatever. They were tortured merely because they were enemies—soldiers fighting Germany. I have been tied to that very pole for 48 hours myself. Notice the bowl on the ground in front of them. That was filled with soup and put there to torture the men who had to stand 48 hours without anything to eat in hall, rain and snow. The officers in the foreground are the German camp commandant and his adjutant."

## TURNING POINT OF FIGHT NEAR

Official Observers Closely Watching Developments of Terrific Struggle in France.

### EXPECT POWER BLOW

War Department Awaiting Word From Pershing Regarding Americans in Battle.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Belief that the turning point of the battle in France is near, as hand pervaded Washington today and American military observers, who are closely following developments in the terrific struggle, centered their attention on the front held by the French in anticipation of a powerful counter thrust.

War department officials today also awaited confirmation from General Pershing of British official statements that American troops were fighting side by side with the French and British. Nothing to show American participation reached the war department last night and General Pershing reports offered only details of the fighting in the region of Nesle and Novon, previously reported in dispatches to the Associated Press.

Until official word from General Pershing is received, none will make a guess on the part the Americans are playing.

## LONG REST FROM ISSUE OF BONDS

WASHINGTON, March 27.—The government's general financial plans for the next eight months, disclosed last night by Secretary McAdoo, provide for a long period of rest from bond issues after the third loan of \$3,000,000,000 next month, and for floating of the fourth Liberty loan next October or November.

The amount of the fourth loan probably will be greater than any of those that have gone before and to prepare for it the treasury next summer probably will start the issuance of certificates of indebtedness in considerable amounts. To clear the way for these certificates, the house ways and means committee yesterday tentatively approved raising the authorized limit of outstanding certificates from \$4,000,000,000 as at present to \$8,000,000,000.

Loans to allies will be continued during the next fiscal year which starts July 1, and although more than \$2,000,000,000 authorization for this purpose still remains, congress at the secretary's request is expected to approve extension of further credits to the sum of \$1,500,000,000. Mr. McAdoo estimates that this will be sufficient to all allied needs until October.

## MILES CITY HAS A GOLD CRAZE

MILES CITY, Mont., March 27.—More than 300 claims have been staked out since Sunday at Stacy, near here, as the result of the discovery of what is believed to be gold-bearing quartz by a rancher who was boring a well. This city is crowded with gold seekers.

Another reason why a rooster is a mascot is because he thinks the hen house was built for him.

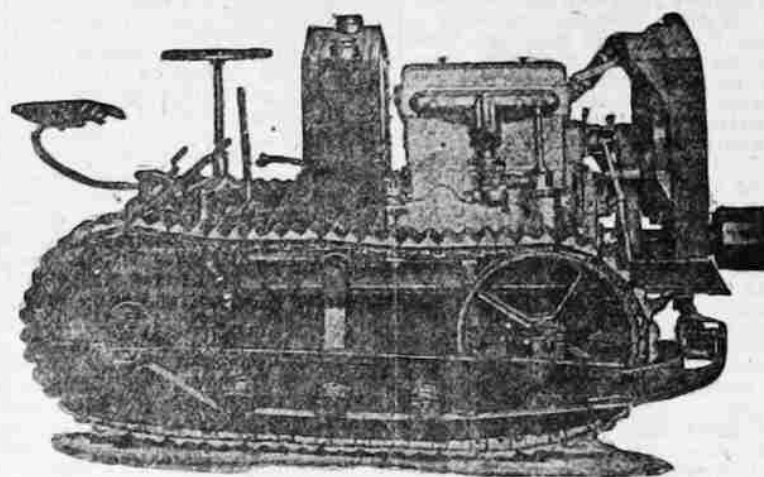
And our guess is that if the cost of living goes much higher, war brides will soon be carrying their trousseaus in their gloves.

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## HAIG ISSUES SPECIAL ORDER

Calls on All Ranks of British Army to Do Utmost in Great Fight.

LONDON, March 27.—Field Marshal Haig issued the following special order of the day dated March 23:

"To all ranks of the British army in France and Flanders: We are again at a crisis in the war. The enemy has collected on this front every available division and is aiming at the destruction of the British army. We have already inflicted on the enemy, in the course of the last few days, a very heavy loss and the French are sending troops as quickly as possible to our support."

"I feel that everyone in the army, fully realizing how much depends upon the exertions and steadfastness of each one of us, will do his utmost to prevent the enemy from attaining his object."

## JAPAN CELEBRATES HISTORICAL EVENT

TOKIO, Feb. 12.—The 60th anniversary of the sending of the first Japanese embassy to the United States was suitably observed today by a commemorative ceremony at the grave of Ambassador Niimi-no-kami, feudal lord of Busen, first Japanese envoy to the United States. At the tomb American Ambassador Morris presented a beautiful wreath and planted a pine tree in commemoration of the day. There were present the descendants of the late envoy, Viscount Motono, minister for foreign affairs, and other prominent Japanese and Americans. The road to the temple grounds in which the tomb stands was lined on both sides with school children and the incident attracted wide attention.

The Yoruza, while expressing its gratification at the tribute paid by the American ambassador to the memory

of the Japanese envoy, remarked that the soul of the old envoy may not be moved to express unreserved gratitude to America until his fellow countrymen are given the same treatment as that accorded Europeans in America. So long as the United States discriminates against the Japanese, delicate diplomatic courtesies will be insufficient to consolidate the traditional friendship between Japan and America, said the paper.

The Japan Gazette (British) retorted that Japan similarly discriminates against foreign labor and for the same reason.

## VICE PRESIDENT IS OUTSPOKEN

Opens Campaign in Wisconsin in Words of Caustic Comment Against Disloyalty.

MADISON, Wis., March 27.—Vice President Thomas R. Marshall opened his speaking campaign in behalf of Joseph E. Davies, democratic candidate for U. S. senator in Wisconsin, here last night by appealing to republicans to cast their votes for Davies.

"I come to Wisconsin to find if 100,000 republicans will not count the loss of partisanship cheap if thereby Wisconsin may be saved to the union," said Vice-President Marshall. "No republican can come to the senate from the state of Wisconsin without a feeling on the part of the imperial German government that he is a traitor, having changed his mind once, may, by the shifting of a few hundred votes in Wisconsin, be induced to change it again. The republican party cannot tear down a democratic work and erect in its place republican work without detriment to the plans of the commander-in-chief, now being carried out."

"Your state of Wisconsin is under suspicion. You republicans have made the issue here in Wisconsin. If the vote at the primary is based upon the charges and counter-charges which you have made each against the other, you are about half for America, half for the kaiser and all against Wilson. Your self-appointed leaders are now trying to convince the loyal half that the really important thing is not loyalty or disloyalty, but party success."

"Having purified the stream in the primary, you welcome the sewage to help you over the election. I think there are large numbers of you who will not want to rest under such a suspicion. You will find yourself in the attitude of many democrats in the north during the war of the rebellion who voted the republican ticket rather than rest under the odium of the statement of Horace Greeley that he did not say that all democrats were horse thieves but that he did say that all horse thieves were democrats."

"It makes no difference how pure and patriotic the purposes of the republican candidate may be, to be elected he is now bidding for the vote of the German sympathizer, for the vote of the traitor, for the vote of the man hidebound in politics that he rejoices at every mistake made by the president or his advisors, for the vote of the man who is willing to make an inglorious peace, for the vote of the disappointed profiteer and the vote of the man who wanted our citizens and our ships to stay off the high seas, and who wanted an embargo placed upon the sale of munitions of war in the markets of the world. By these votes and these votes alone can the republican candidate hope to be elected, for

Mr. Davies does not seek them and would, I believe, scorn to receive them. It is up to you, Mr. Loyal Republican, to answer whether you are for the party or whether you are for the state."

"Wisconsin is not only on trial before America; the republicans of Wisconsin are on trial before the world. No republican, as disclosed by the primaries, can be elected to the senate of the United States without receiving votes which in the primary were characterized as 'disloyal votes.'"

## CIGARETTE CAUSE OF EXPLOSIONS

Jacob E. Aultman Confesses Dropping Lighted Cigarette on Inflammable Materials.

NEW YORK, March 27.—Police headquarters announced today that Jacob E. Aultman had confessed that he was responsible for the fire which caused the explosion in the Jarvis warehouse in Jersey City yesterday. He said, according to the police, that he started it accidentally.

Aultman, who is 53 years old, was employed at the warehouse. He said, the police asserted, that he accidentally dropped a cigarette on inflammable materials. Jarvis Warehouse company, incorporated, near the Erie railroad terminal in Jersey City late yesterday and badly damaged the Erie repair shops. No loss of life had been reported. The material damage was estimated by Jersey City police fire officials at close to \$1,500,000. The goods stored in the warehouse, said to have included a quantity of chemicals, were a total loss.

The first of the terrific detonations, fire following a series of explosions destroyed the six-story building of the

which occurred shortly after 3 o'clock, showed wis. ows in downtown Manhattan and caused considerable alarm. Visions of another Black Tom disaster or a bombardment by the Germans were in many minds. Burning cinders, which arose in the heavy cloud of black smoke, were carried by the wind across the North river and fell along the waterfront.

While the excitement was at its height the Erie ferry house, a three-story structure in West street, between piers 19 and 20 on the New York side of the river, was discovered to be on fire. A lighter close by, loaded with several hundred bales of cotton, also was blazing fiercely and still further south, the Hoboken ferry slip of the Lackawanna railroad was on fire.

The Erie ferry house was a flame from the second story to the roof. These fires were easily extinguished by the New York firemen, many of whom were ordered to Jersey City to fight the big German fire.

Employed in the Jarvis store house were between forty and fifty men, but the prompt sounding of the alarm is believed to have enabled all to escape. Scores of persons in the streets were cut by falling glass.

Hundreds of store and tenement windows, some of them a mile away, were blown out by the force of the blast. Several small frame buildings near the warehouse were wrecked by the explosions.

Frightened women and children filled the streets in the congested sections of Jersey City and Hoboken near the scene of the explosion.

The fire spread with such rapidity that the Jersey City firemen soon called for outside aid. Fire apparatus was sent from Hoboken, N. Y., and other points. A stiff wind was blowing from the north and for a time it looked as if the entire Erie waterfront property would be destroyed.

By desperate efforts, however, the firemen confined the flames to an area covering about two acres, bounded by Provoat, Twelfth, Thirteenth and Barnum streets.

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